

TOWN OF TRURO
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2006

The Truro Board of Selectmen met for their weekly session on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Truro Town Hall, 24 Town Hall Road, Truro. In attendance were: Chairman Alfred Gaechter, Vice-Chairman Gary Palmer, Clerk Christopher R. Lucy, Curtis Hartman, Jan Worthington, Town Administrator Pamela Nolan, Administrative Secretary Julie DuPree, Martha Nagy, Carol Nickerson, Karen Snow, Bertram Perkel, Steve Desroche of the Cape Codder and Pru Sowers of the Banner.

Mr. Gaechter convened the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Mr. Gaechter welcomed the new member of the BOS, and suggested that a proclamation be prepared for Lloyd Rose for his many years of service. Ms. Worthington suggested that they do more than that. Mr. Gaechter directed that the matter be placed on their agenda next week.

Minutes: Mr. Palmer moved to approve the minutes of the regular and Executive Sessions of May 2, 2006, and to hold the Executive Session minutes in abeyance. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 3-0-2, with Mr. Hartman and Ms. Worthington abstaining.

Public Comment: Ms. Snow read a statement criticizing the Board's actions at ATM regarding the Zoning articles, and in particular, Mr. Lucy's statements regarding the Sateriale/Roderick site plan review.

Ms. Nickerson told the BOS that she was concerned with the length of time the BOS has been allowing for individual public comments, and she was upset that they had just allowed an attack against Mr. Lucy and the Sateriale family. She stated that the BOS has the right to change their vote at ATM when they hear the concerns of the voters.

Reorganization of the Board: Mr. Palmer moved to appoint Mr. Gaechter as Chairman. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Mr. Gaechter nominated Mr. Palmer as Vice Chairman. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Mr. Hartman nominated Mr. Lucy as Clerk. Mr. Gaechter seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Liaison assignments: Mr. Gaechter noted that the Charter & Bylaw Review Committee had been dissolved and should be removed from the list, and the NT ad hoc Committee is no longer active. **Mr. Palmer moved to eliminate the North Truro Village Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.** Mr. Gaechter is the liaison to the Housing Authority and the Tercentennial Committee, and the list should be corrected to reflect that. He asked the other BOS to review Policy Memorandum #34 and be prepared next week to act on the assignments. If there were no objections, he planned to e-mail each member with his thoughts on their assignments.

One Day Liquor License: Ms. DuPree explained to the BOS that the Pamet Harbor Yacht

Club had formed a not for profit corporation to apply for liquor licenses. She learned last fall that while anyone can obtain a wine and malt one-day license, only non-profits can hold all alcoholic beverages one-day licenses. **Mr. Palmer moved to approve the one-day license for the Pamet Harbor Club, Inc. for May 21, 2006. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Intermunicipal Agreement: Mr. Perkel of the Cable Advisory Committee gave the Board an overview of this proposal. The six lower cape towns have been meeting to discuss the upcoming renewal of the cable contracts in their towns and have been finding ground for common interests. The County has allocated \$16k to pay for a consultant to help with their efforts to get public access cable television services from the cable provider at the lowest possible cost. Provincetown has agreed to act as the fiscal agent. There would be no fiscal responsibilities if Truro entered into this agreement. Mr. Gaechter thought it was a good concept. He pointed out that the BOS needs to be the signatory. Ms. Nolan noted that it has not gone to Town Counsel yet.

MIIA Contract: Ms. Nolan explained that MIIA is our insurance broker for property, liability and workers' compensation coverage; we spent over \$153k with them last year, and she added 10% more to the next budget. She received a letter from them asking that the town sign a renewal proposal with them, and she recommended that the Town continue with them. **Mr. Palmer moved to approve the proposal and authorize the Chair to sign it. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Videographer Contracts: Ms. Nolan told the BOS that these had been vetted by Town Counsel. Ms. Worthington asked who owned the tapes of the BOS meetings. Ms. Nolan said that the town does; she has been picking them up after they have been aired. **Mr. Palmer moved to approve the contracts. Mr. Lucy seconded it.** Ms. Worthington asked if the media could obtain a copy if they requested one from Comcast. Ms. Nolan said that they could not, but she would make sure of that. **Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Cardinal's Night: The BOS had already discussed this, and Mr. Gaechter had agreed to throw out the first pitch. He asked if any of the new members would like to sing. Mr. Hartman suggested contacting Mary Abt. The BOS agreed that was a good idea, and he will do so.

Town Administrator's Report: (action items)

- Informed the BOS that she hired Lorial Russell as the new Animal Control Officer. The plan is to ask fall STM to combine the position with the Dog Officer and Animal Inspector. Our current Dog Officer has been so informed. Ms. Russell will use the Beach Dept. 4x4 truck, and the Beach Dept. will have use of an old cruiser once Chief Thomas purchases his new one on July 1st.
- Updated the BOS on the Flex bus grand opening. They want to put shelters at the pick up sites. Mr. Hartman suggested that bike racks would be a great addition at the bus pick-up sites. Ms. Nolan will bring that up at the next Flex meeting.

- Reported on an update she received from the DPW Director on Duarte Park.

Other business: Ms. Nolan informed them that the DPW has purchased the truck approved by ATM, and the document is in the signature file for the Chair to sign. Mr. Lucy asked if the old truck would be sold as surplus property. Mr. Gaechter noted that there was a trade-in. Ms. Nolan will find out.

Selectmen/Liaison Reports: (action items)

Lucy: - Reported that the PHC is opposed to kayak racks at the Duarte Park site because of the danger of people lugging their kayaks across the road from the parking lot, and because the safety of the public on the river is the responsibility of the Harbor Master; he would have no way to reach someone that far away if they had trouble. There is also the question of liability. Mr. Gaechter reported that ConsCom also had reservations; somehow the location has been changed to a more sensitive area. After discussion, **Mr. Gaechter moved to withdraw the plan for a kayak and canoe launch at Duarte Park. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.** Ms. Nolan was directed to let the DPW Director know of this decision.

Palmer: -Reported that the BOH is still working on the revision of their regulations. They hope to have a public hearing on them in June.

-Reported that the TBC has made revisions to the CC plans.

-Noted that the BOS used to have a reader file for information that came in to them that did not require action. He suggested going back to that method so that only action items would be included in their packets. He thought that would save the Board Secretary a lot of copying. Mr. Gaechter wanted to discuss this further next week and directed Ms. Nolan to include it on their agenda.

Next week's agenda: Policy Memorandums #10 and #28, Interview ZBA applicant, COA grant, Appoint Special Police Officers, Executive Session on contract negotiations.

At 7:19 p.m. Mr. Palmer moved to adjourn. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Alfred Gaechter, Chairman

Gary Palmer, Vice-Chairman

Christopher R. Lucy, Clerk

Curtis Hartman

Janet W. Worthington

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